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BLIZZARD SWEEPS ACROSS THE DOMINION

FRANCO TO BECOME DICTATOR OF SPAIN

IS REPORTED PLANNING NEW GOVERNMENT

Definite Showdown On Anglo-French Mediation Efforts Expected Wednesday.

PARIS, Feb. 20.—(AP)—A reported plan of General Franco for a new Nationalist Government for all Spain, with himself as dictator-in-chief of state, was widely interpreted tonight by diplomats as foreshadowing close permanent relations with Germany and Italy. Meanwhile, British-French peace negotiations at Burgos, snaggled on nationalist insistence that the Republican Government surrender unconditionally, approached a showdown in a conference scheduled for Wednesday.

The message was sent to a German periodical, *Wille und Macht*, by General Count Francisco Gomez Jordana, Nationalist Foreign Minister. The message added to mild excitement occasioned by the reported choice of Suner.

Whether Franco had proposed the new government—eight ministers under Suner's nominal direction—as a permanent regime was a question. Franco was said to have filled most of the posts on paper, according to reports reaching Rome, but installation might not take place until he could make all Spain his.

France and Great Britain were reported to have counted long on restoration of the Spanish monarchy as a means of increasing their influence on the new Spain. With enemies to Europe, they were virtually committed to early recognition of the Franco regime as the legal government of Spain but were seeking to turn Franco from his demand for unconditional Republican surrender.

Show-down Wednesday
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COMING EVENTS

- Rate for Notices in this column 1 cent per word.
- Borden Line Club leading hogs hams, calves every Tuesday. Hours 12 to 3. L-348-12-M-2-5-11.
- Hockey Afternoon Arena, Cornwall Blue Birds vs. Bulldogs. L-452.
- Hockey tonight at New Glasgow, Imperial vs. Maple Leafs, Exhibition game. L-454.
- First game final playoff, Milton Link tonight, Huskies vs. Maple Leafs. L-450.
- Come to measuring party concert and dance, Bonshaw Hall Tuesday, Feb. 21st. Admission 10 cents. L-425-2-20-21.
- The hockey match scheduled for Monday night between Victoria Unions vs. Alberton Regals postponed till tonight (Tuesday). L-447-3-21-11.
- Applications will be received by the Grand Secretary of the L. O. A. up till March 1st from Primary Lodges wishing the purchase of holding Orange Tea. L-414-2-20-21.
- East Royalty Rink tonight, Royals vs. West Royalty Bears, St. Avarde vs. Central Royalty Juniors. Skate after. L-453.
- Moccasin dance Marshfield rink tonight, Trunk leaving Old Spain 7:30, St. Avarde 7:45. Old time fiddlers, Melotone Sound System, Come and have a good time. L-448.
- Pownal rink Wednesday, February 22, Millview vs. Pownal Cubs. Sudden death game for trophy. Winner plays Mt. Allison, first of three games in final. Friday, February 24. L-449.

Britain Pursues Trade Alliances

Chamberlain's European Policy Of Appeasement Begins To Take New Form

(By J. F. SANDERSON) (Canadian Press Staff Writer) (LONDON, Feb. 20.—(CP Cable)—Prime Minister Chamberlain's European appeasement policy began to take new form today with an announcement that Great Britain is seeking closer trade relationships with Russia, Finland, Poland and Germany. The Prime Minister announced in the House of Commons that Robert Hudson, parliamentary secretary to the Department of Overseas Trade, will go to Moscow and other northern capitals after he and Oliver Stanley, president of the Board of Trade, visit Berlin during trade negotiations between the British Federation of Industry and the corresponding German Association. Britain's approach to Russia has both economic and political aspects. Mr. Hudson's visit will deal primarily with trade but the wider question of cooperation in the international field will not be overlooked.

In Pursuance Of Realism Behind the Government's economic mission, which concerns countries as politically dissimilar as Russia and Germany, is our relations with other Governments. It is his way of making his policy of realism step further. The decision to send Mr. Hudson to Moscow was regarded as a distinct change toward warmer political relations with the Soviet Union. This was signified also, some observers thought, by a dinner given tonight for Viscount Halifax, Mr. Ivan Malsky, Russian Ambassador to London. Lord Halifax was reported to have astonished some Conservative members of Parliament by his friendly reference to Russia in a talk on foreign affairs at a private meeting with them a few nights ago.

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Released From Jail To Testify

HALIFAX, Feb. 20.—(CP)—Lloyd E. Walker of Halifax, one of 24 Nova Scotians charged with conspiracy, today was released from jail where he was committed last week for refusing to testify in the preliminary hearing of John Tanner, another of the group. Walker had been sentenced to jail for eight days. He is contended to tell what he knew about rum running. The group is alleged to have conspired to defeat the launching of a new ship of 4,000,000 through illegal liquor activities. The Tanner hearing was adjourned until March 9 due to inability of crown counsel to be present today.

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NEW GERMAN PRESS ATTACKS ON ROOSEVELT

Hint Of New European Crisis Raises Ire Of Nazi Papers.

BERLIN, Feb. 20.—(AP)—The German press levelled fresh attacks at President Roosevelt today and a well-informed correspondent service, *Dienst Aus Deutschland*, attributed to him a "critical influence" on the policies of western powers. The attacks were occasioned by reports the President might cut short a Caribbean cruise and return to Washington because of European storm clouds. The Berlin newspaper *Nachtausgabe*, in its headline, said the President was "seeing ghosts" and went on to assert that he "again prophesies a war." Another Berlin paper, *Lokal Anzeiger*, commented, "He who sows the wind will reap a storm."

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Unemployment Insurance Plan Urged In House

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.—(CP)—A national system of contributory unemployment insurance, patterned after the insurance clause of the social security legislation in the United States with the provinces entering voluntarily, was urged upon the House of Commons today and found general support. A. W. Neill (Ind. Comox-Alberni) moved a resolution calling upon the House to express the opinion that a national system of contributory unemployment insurance for Canada is a pressing need at the present time and should receive immediate attention.

Will Leave For Home Thursday

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.—(CP)—Hon. W. H. Dennis, Minister of Agriculture for Prince Edward Island, who has been staying with his son, T. C. Dennis, after leaving hospital where he had been confined for some weeks with pneumonia, is expected to leave for his home at Charlottetown on Thursday.

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ITALY PLANS TO INCREASE LIBYAN ARMY

Britain Seeks Let-up In Fascist Press Campaign Against France.

ROME, Feb. 20.—(AP)—Great Britain today asked Italy to soften her press attacks against France in the interests of European peace while the Fascist Government continued strengthening her defences in the North African colony of Libya. The Earl of Perth, British Ambassador, called the attention of the Italian Foreign Minister, Count Galeazzo Ciano, particularly to *Relazione Internazionale*, a weekly review published in Milan by the Government-supported Italian press for foreign policy. The review had voiced threats that Italian troops might settle its scores with France unless Italian claims are granted.

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Western Canada Bears Brunt Of Paralyzing Blast

Two Deaths Attributed To Raging Snowstorm—Transportation And Communication Disrupted

A blizzard that extended almost from coast to coast left two dead last night as Canadian transportation and communication systems recovered slowly from one of the worst buffeting of the winter. Striking hardest in the Prairie Provinces, the storm killed Earl McClelland, a Manitoba Province relief worker who was found dead from exposure at Middlechurch, just north of Winnipeg, and Johnny Wright, 68-year-old Indian of Saskatchewan's Moosomin Reserve. Towering snowdrifts and biting winds defied police for 13 hours before the officers broke through and discovered Wright's frozen body, 15 miles from North Battleford. Colder weather was hailed in Ontario as an antidote against flood threats brought by the storm. Break-up and jam of ice in various streams ceased as the mercury dropped sharply and while water flowed still over some highways, it was believed danger of serious inundations was past.

Balkan Entente Shuns Russia In Discussions

BUCHAREST, Feb. 20.—(AP)—Informed quarters close to King Balkan Entente foreign ministers meeting here said tonight the Entente had decided to exclude Soviet Russia from immediate or direct participation in Balkan political affairs. After the Minister of Greece, Yugoslavia and Turkey had a preliminary discussion with Foreign Minister Grigore Gafencu of Rumania this afternoon it was reported that plans for the formation of a Black Sea Pact in which Russia was to have been a leading member had been reported.

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(Canadian Press) TORONTO, Feb. 20.—Minimum and maximum temperatures:—

Dawson	12B 0
Vancouver	24 44
Edmonton	43B 8
Regina	26B 2
Winnipeg	36B 12B
Toronto	18 38
Ottawa	4 14
Montreal	2 18
Quebec	Zero 6
Saint John	10 18
Halifax	10 44
Charlottetown	2 18

FORECAST
Maritime East: Fresh shifting winds; cloudy with light snow or rain; somewhat colder at night. High tide this afternoon at 12:25 and tomorrow morning at 12:25. Sun sets this afternoon at 5:35 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:51.
First quarter moon, Feb. 25, 11:26 p. m.
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.
THE CAR FERRY SAILINGS
Leave Borden 9:45 a. m. 2 p. m. Tormentine 11 a. m. 3:45 p. m.